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TO DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE AGENCY





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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

ATTENTION: CHIEF, CLASSIFICATION REVIEW DIVISION.

OFFICE OF INFORMATION SERVICES

SUBJECT: Systematic Declassification Review of National Intelligence Estimates (NIE's) and Special National Intelligence Estimates (SNIE's)

- 1. The Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) has been supporting the Central Intelligence Agency in the systematic declassification review of NIE's and SNIE's under the provisions of Executive Order 12356.
- 2. The experience of those DIA senior analysts involved to date in the systematic declassification review process is that declassification decisions by CIA reviewers are prudent, professional, and consistent with security guidance issued by the Director of Central Intelligence. It is therefore, considered that additional review by DIA beyond that accomplished by CIA is generally unnecessary.
- 3. Accordingly, DIA will in the future defer to the CIA judgement regarding systematic declassification review decisions on NIE's and SNIE's. If, in exceptional cases, CIA reviewers encounter foreign military intelligencerelated information for which they are unable to make a declassification decision, the document concerned (or pertinent extracts thereof) may be forwarded to DIA. Attention: OS-3B, Washington, D.C. 20301, for review by this Agency.

FOR THE DIRECTOR:

Acting Chief			-	

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